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SUBJECT: PURCHASES UNDER PL 480 TITLE I - EGYPT

REF: STATE 178384

1. ACCORDING TO REFTEL, WASHINGTON RECORDS SHOW GOE PURCHASED 357,500 METRIC TONS (MT) OF WHEAT FLOUR (OR 476,600 MT OF WHEAT GRAIN EQUIVALENT) AND 930,800 MT OF WHEAT FOR A TOTAL OF 1,407,400 MT UNDER FY 1978. TITLE I AGREEMENT AS AMENDED APRIL 20, 1978 LEAVING A SHORT TALL OF 92,600 MT OF WHEAT REQUIRED TO MEET ORIGINAL COMMITMENT OF 1.5 MILLION MT IN FY 1978.

2. HOWEVER, ACCORDING TO GENERAL AUTHORITY OF SUPPLY COMMODITIES (GASC), GOE HAS PURCHASED 350,000 MT WHEAT FLOUR (OR 467,000 MT OF WHEAT GRAIN EQUIVALENT) AND 887,000 MT OF WHEAT FOR A TOTAL OF 1,354,000 MT LEAVING A SHORT TALL OF 146,000 MT OF WHEAT REQUIRED TO MEET ORIGINAL COMMITMENT OF 1.5 MILLION MT IN FY 1978.

3. THERE IS AN APPARENT DISCREPANCY OF 53,400 MT

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(GRAIN EQUIVALENT BASIS) BETWEEN THE TWO SETS OF RECORDS.

4. PART OF THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN WASHINGTON AND GASC RECORDS MAY BE RELATED TO FIVE PERCENT LOADING TOLERANCE. HOWEVER, SINCE BOTH WASHINGTON AND GASC PRESUMABLY HAVE ACCESS TO SAME INFORMATION, IT APPEARS THAT RECORDS

WOULD BE IN BASIC AGREEMENT, 5 PERCENT TOLERANCE NOT
WITHSTANDING.

5. REQUEST WASHINGTON REVIEW AND ADVISE ASAP POSSIBLE
EXPLANATIONS OF APPARENT DISCREPANCIES. EILTS

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